# **NAVY LEAGUE TO**

Organization Writes to Mr. Wilson Pledging Support of Defense Plans.

#### TO DEVELOP SENTIMENT

Director Ralph B. Strassburger Denies Association Is Controlled by Members of Republican Party.

As a result of information it has obtained of the mustering of powerful forces in Congress for an atack upon the President's program for providing this country with adequate naval and military defenses, the Navy League has written to President Wilson, placing that organization at his disposal in his efforts to secure the passage of measures that will assure this country of the ability to defend itelf

In the letter the Navy League congrat ulates the President on his vigorous work in behalf of adequate national denational peril all good Americans ought to lay aside personal differences and par-ty politics and rally to the support of their nation's leader in his efforts to insure the construction of defenses to protect the peace and prosperity of the coun-try. The letter further places the league's resources at the President's disposal and invites him to consider the league as the instrument of the administration in placing before the public the danger of our unprepared condition and in organizing a wave of sentiment in support of the President's national defense measures which will insure the united support for them from Congress The letter is signed by Ralph D Strassburger, director in charge of the league's work in Washington.

Not Party Organization. "We of the Navy League feel that the time has come when all patriotic Ameri-

names in the learness and vigorous plan of the Chilean Congress; Manuel Salion of action he has mapped out to provide our country with adequate defenses against war and invasion," said Mr. Strassburger. "It has often been asserted that the Navy League is practically a Republication organization. This is false and foolish. Such prominent Demonstrates are the straightful organization. The straightful organization of the Chilean Congress; Manuel Salion has former minister of the Chilean Congress; Manuel Salion has former minister of the Chilean Congress; Manuel Salion has former minister of the Chilean Congress; Manuel Salion has former minister of the Chilean Congress; Manuel Salion has former minister of the Chilean Congress; Manuel Salion has former minister of foreign affairs; Ricardo Salas, former minister of foreign affairs; Ricardo Salas, former minister of finance: Augusto Villanueva, director Edwards is chairman.

Traveling Salesmen Win. ocrets as Carter Harrison Fitz Hugh, of Chicago; Albert B. Lambert, of St. Louis. and half a dozen others are members of our board of directors, and have always had a prominent place in the councils of the learns It is true that

nad a prominent place in the councils of the league. It is true that we have cision in the fight that has been waged also many prominent Republicans, but a good American is no less patriotic whatever political party he may belong to.

"The Navy League has always taken sold and gave away samples. The rail-The Navy League has always taken pleasure in recognizing and indorsing men in official life who have worked for national defense, whatever their party. In the present days of strife and national days of strife

sessing one public servant of high position who is awake to the danger that threatens the state and is doing all that liles within his power to assure the nation of continued peace and freedom from aggression. His name is Woodrow Wilson, President of the United States. Although threatened by strife and sedition from within his own party, the President has worked manfully and fearlessly for what he knows is needed to be strife and sedition from within his own party, the President has worked manfully and fearlessly for what he knows is needed to lessly for what he knows is needed to insure the safety of the country which has elected him at its head. Despite the promptings of false friends and foolish councilors, and the mutterings and threats of log-rollers and appropriation seekers, he has held firm to the pro-gram which he knows is essential to his

ountry's safety. "The President needs the aid and support of every good citizen to overcome the opposition in Congress of a group uniting among its members ill-advised peace advocates, political rivals and ap-propriation seekers who feel that their particular bits of 'pork' would be endan-gered by the passage of appropriations for national defense. These forces are at present laying lines and preparing for a travels back and forth to his bus campaign to the death against national defense.

#### BULKLEY ESTATE \$263,000.

Petition for Probate Filed in trict Supreme Court.

The petition for the probate of the will of Mrs. Virginia Bulkley, filed in the District Supreme Court yesterday, values the estate at \$365,000. The petition was filed by Attorney Frank Stetson. The bulk of the estate is to be divided among the children and grandchildren of the

Attorney Arthur Hellen filed with the court yesterday a petition for the probate of the will of Henry Willard Dension, late adviser to the foreign office of Japan The petition values mortgages on Dis-

Chile Names Uniform Law Advisers Minister of Finance Edwards, of Chilean members of the International High Commission on Uniformity of Laws Relating to Trade. Commerce and International Commerce Court. This commission was created at the recent Pan-American Financial Conference. The Chilean members are Francisco. The Chilean members are the camp sanitary so that in their wildness they will do no harm. The Chilean members are francisco its adoption, and has made his face familiar throughout the world.

Among the warnings which the health service gives to campers are these:

Henry P. Blair, president of the Board of the farmer's corn and cucan citizens, regardless of party, ought do, Jorge Matte. Armando Quesada, to join in upholding President Wilson's and Guillermo Subercaseaux, members hands in the fearless and vigorous plan of the Chilean Congress; Manuel Sali-

Traveling Salesmen Win.

The traveling salesmen of the coun-

ernor of Massachusetts Observing Birthday Anniversary.

Today marks the seventieth milest in the life of W. L. Douglas, forty-second governor of Massachusetts and Brock ton's most widely known citizen. Mr. Douglas was born in Plymouth in 1845, and has led a busy life. He is in splendid physical condition now, owing to careful living, and is still the active directing head of the great shoe manufacturing business that bears his name. In the summer Mr. Douglas lives at his beautiseashore estate at Marion, and his automobile. Not only do these trips give pleasure, but they afford opportunity for a busy mind to formulate plans for making an already great business greater. The Douglas business has grown to such huge proportions that Mr.

Douglas can and does a successful busi ness on a small margin of profit. The Douglas factories are located a Brockton, and the company owns and operates nearly 100 retail shoe stores. dealers in various parts of the country who have the agency for the sale of the big factories busy under normal conditions, and even now in war times the Public Health Service has answered in a Douglas company is getting its share of

For twenty-six years Mr. Douglas conpioneer of the low-priced custom shop, favor the development of irregularities, Mr. Douglas owes a large part of his suc-cess to honestly-made shoes and his en-and lead to immediate wildness. In this Chile, yesterday cabled to Secretary of the Treasury McAdoo the names of the Chilean members of the International High Commission on Uniformity of up into the hundreds of thousands of dol-In 1886, when a member of the State senate of Massachusetts, he introduced a bill "to provide for the settlement of differences between employers and their employes." The bill was passed and was with suspicion. Don't allow the weather IRGE HIV the immediate cause of founding, by leg- or the children to annoy you, rest as Islative act, the State board of arbitra- well as you can, show the youngsters tion and conciliation, one of the most ef- what father can do when he has the fective institutions in existence for proper environment, and imagine reaching and settling labor troubles. He a wonderful time you are having." s also author of the State weekly-pay ment law, which directs that employe

> wages within each calendar week. Jumps from Benning Bridge. Reed Stevenson, colored, 29, jumped from the Benning Bridge late yesterday and was drowned. The negro had writ-

## Bed Springs Will Catch Wireless Messages, Says Secretary Daniels

Josephus Daniels, Secretary of the Navy, has discovered a new use for bed springs. Mr. Daniels was informed that reports were abroad that wireless stations were being operated by German spies all over the country. It was charged that wireless apparatus had been installed or the top of a building in the resident section of Washington, and that

in all probability it was controlled by Germans. Mr. Daniels made an investigation. He learned that this particular station was the property of an enthusiastic, but unhyphenated scientist. It is at this stage in the narrative that the suggestion about bed springs must of necessity be introduced again. Mr. Daniels was commenting or the use of wireless, and remarked that it was a perfectly simple matter

to devise such apparatus. "Why, you could use an old pair of bed springs and take wireless messages," said Mr. Daniels.

He intimated that with such improvised wireless spying could be rendered easy instead of dangerous, as in days gone by. He intimated spy might keep in touch with practically all the government intelligence of importance that was received and dispatched at the Arlington station.

#### WHAT IS A CAMPER? HEALTH SERVICE TELLS

the principal cities of the country.

Added to this are about 8,000 retail shoe "Revert to Primitive Modes and

Seem to Enjoy It." What is a camper? The United States formal bulletin, as follows:

cumbers, eat sparingly of the concoctions

PORTUGAL FIGHTING REBELS. In African Uprising Natives Are

Defented.

Lisbon, Aug. 21.-Native insurrections have broken out in the Portuguese col-ony of Angola, Africa, Portuguese troops

#### PLAN "PENNY-A-DAY" CLUB TO RAISE \$1,000

Women Will Make Appeals to Make Up Deficit in Friendship House Treasury.

"Won't you join the Penny-a-Day Club?" This appeal will be made by women stationed in stores and on the streets all this week, who are en-"Campers are persons who of their own deavoring by the formation of the club ducted his immense enterprise under his of the business was incorporated as the W. L. Douglas Shoe Co., with himself as president. The real therefrom. Both piace and persons then last only a week, and it is expected the property of the formation of the club will be make up a deficit of \$1,000 in the treasury of Friendship House, 324 Virginia avenue southeast. The club will last only a week, and it is expected the property of the formation of the club will be make up a deficit of \$1,000 in the treasury of Friendship House, 324 Virginia avenue southeast. The club will last only a week, and it is expected the property of the formation of the club will be make up a deficit of \$1,000 in the treasury of Friendship House, 324 Virginia avenue southeast. last only a week, and it is expected that hundreds of shoppers will pay 7 cents in daily installments.

Early tomorrow morning the women under direction of Mrs. Milo B. Atkining picture theaters have consented to throw appeals on their screens. Henry P. Blair, president of the Board of directors of the Friendship House

#### URGE JUVENILE RESERVE ARMY

Retired Noncommissioned Office Has Plan to Enroll Schoolboys. The enrollment of all school boys more than 6 years of age into a juvenile re-serve army is the substance of a national defense plan that has been submitted to the War Department by a retired ed officer, who is a resident of this city.

The plan would not call for detailed

military training, but merely instruction along rudimentary lines. It is further

## **JEWELRY AND CHICKENS** PURLOINED BY CROOKS

Several Robberies Reported to Police. Plumbing Fixtures Are

Lewis Alpert, 1012 First street northeast, reported to the police yesterday his store was entered by burglars Friday night and that a large quantity of roceries were stolen and money taken from a cash drawer. Burglars entered the home of Marie

Eldridge, 352 K street southwest, through rear door early yesterday and stole jewelry and clothing.

A watch was stolen from the office of Dr. V. A. Assinack in the Westory Building vesterday.

Mrs. M. E. Urban, 43 M street north west, reported that her home had been entered some time since Monday and ewelry valued at \$50 stolen. Theodore Dietrich, living on Wheeler road southeast, reported the theft of thirty-five chickens from his chicken house during the night. Paul Caparellti, Alexandria, Va., re-ported the theft of a set of harness from

enter Market. Edward Adamson, 724 Taylor street northwest, told police the new house at 4304 Georgia avenue northwest had been R. W. Farrelly, 2415 First street northvest, and Hyman D. Shapiro, % L street

northwest, reported the theft of bicycles TO LAY CORNERSTONE TODAY.

First Step in Building of Sunday School of United Brethren Church. The cornerstone of the new \$18,000 Sunday school house of the Memorial United Brethren Church, North Capitol and R streets northwest, will be laid with religious services at 5:30 o'clock this afternoon. Rev. Dr. W. H. Washinger, superintendent of the Pennsyl-vania conference, of which the church and school are a part, will deliver an address.

Rev. Charles E. Fultz, the pastor, and a number of visiting clergymen also will assist in the services. A box con-taining several trinkets of interest to the congregation will be placed in the

CORDOZA AT WHITE HOUSE. Makes Formal Call to Pay Re

spects to President Wilson. The Brazillan Minister to Mexico, Se nor Cordoza, who has charge of American interests at Mexico City, made a formal call at the White House yester-day to pay his respects to President Wil-son. Mexican affairs were not discuss-

Minister Cordoza was presented by Senor Da Gama, Brazilian Ambassador to the United States. Secretary of State

## WAR BY MINES FIERCE.

of Germans. Paris, Aug. 21.-Terrific artillery fire marked the course of the night on almost the entire front, the war office announced

today. The official communique reports only two attacks by German infantry, both of which were completely repulsed. The text of the communique follows: violent at all times, during the night Her master and crew, after clinging to in Artols, between the Oise and the Alsne, the wreekage three days, were rescued by in Champagne and in the Vosges.
"The conflict with mines continued in

the Argonne at Courtes Chaussess and at St. Hubert, where we had occupied and prepared the ground broken up by an explosion. Two feeble attacks by the emy's infantry, one at Fries on the mme, the other in Lorraine at the forest of Parroy, were both completely re-pulsed."

Mariners in Distress Rescued. Havana, Aug. 21.-The schooner Oscar G, 230 tons, has been wrecked on the "There was a cannonade, which was Haitian coast while en route to Cuba. the schooner Phineas W. Sprague, of



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